

Work begins on fish study for Georgiana Slough

DWR's Bay-Delta Office has started work on a fish deterrent pilot study for the Georgiana Slough near the Sacramento River. This study is being conducted as part of DWR's compliance actions regarding the National Marine Fisheries Service Biological Opinion for the long-term operation of the State Water Project and Central Valley Project. Project construction is scheduled to start in Mid-February. Study information is available on the <u>DWR</u> website.

Work plans for valley projects to be discussed

The Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will hold a public meeting to present their Central Valley Project Improvement Act annual work plans for fiscal year 2011. It will be held Thursday, Feb. 17, in Sacramento. Presentations will include the work plan for a Contra Costa Canal pumping plant. Meeting details and a map are available here.

Science board to set deadlines for review of the Delta Plan

The Delta Independent Science Board (ISB) will hold a teleconference Friday, Feb. 18, to divide up review duties and set deadlines for its review report on the first draft of the Delta Plan. The Delta ISB will be reviewing drafts 1 and 3 of the Delta Plan. The call-in number and pass code for the teleconference are available here. The first draft of the Delta Plan is scheduled for public release on Monday, Feb. 14.

Bureau releases two river restoration project documents

The Bureau of Reclamation has released two documents related to the San Joaquin River Restoration Program interim flows project. It has issued an addendum to the final <u>environmental assessment</u> and an updated <u>finding of no significant impact</u> for the recirculation of recaptured water. Details are available in this <u>news release</u>.

Workshops set to help with urban water management

DWR is inviting urban water suppliers to attend one of the upcoming workshops on 2010 Urban Water Management Plans. These workshops will include information on developing water use baselines and targets, a new data online submittal tool, and the final <u>Guidebook for 2010 Urban Water Management Plans</u>. The 10 workshops will be held throughout the state beginning Tuesday, Feb. 22, in Santa Rosa. The complete list of meetings and times is available on the <u>DWR</u> website.

Resources agency secretary to deliver keynote address

California Natural Resources Agency Secretary John Laird has been confirmed as the keynote speaker for an upcoming symposium on dynamic balancing. It is being sponsored by the Environmental & Water Resources Institute and the Floodplain Management Association. The symposium will be held Tuesday, Feb. 15, in Sacramento. It will explore how dynamic balancing could influence water management in California. The agenda and registration information can be found here.



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